

*** We invite you to stand as you are able**

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We invite our members, friends, visitors to record visit by signing the pew pad.

A PRAYER FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

A MOMENT OF SILENCE (church bell tolls)

STATEMENT OF WELCOME TO ALL AND FOR ALL

All: No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey you are welcome here.

CALL TO WORSHIP*

One: Through the storm clouds of doubt and fear threaten to overcome us

All: God leads us into ways of peace.

One: When the darkness of war and the deep pit of anger reach toward us

All: God lifts and carries us through the darkness with hope and light.

One: Lord of hope and life, be with us today.

All: God of mercy and peace, lead our lives. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER*

All: God of abundant grace, may your Holy Spirit be with us now as we worship you this day. Open our eyes to truly see one another, that we might discover your presence in the smile of a neighbor.

Open our ears to the needs of the world, that we might hear your wisdom in the words spoken around us. And open our hearts to your grace and love, that we might find guidance and strength for the journey, for ourselves and for one another. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OPENING HYMN "Come We That Love the Lord" Red Hymnal #732

SCRIPTURE

Luke 15:1-10 (CEV)

Tax collectors and sinners were all crowding around to listen to Jesus. So the Pharisees and the teachers of the Law of Moses started grumbling, "This man is friendly with sinners. He even eats with them." Then Jesus told them this story: If any of you has 100 sheep, and one of them gets lost, what will you do? Won't you leave the 99 in the field and go look for the lost sheep until you find it? And when you find it, you will be so glad that you will put it on your shoulder and carry it home. Then you will call in your friends and neighbors and say, "Let's celebrate! I've found my lost sheep." Jesus said, "In the same way there is more happiness in heaven because of one sinner who turns to God than over 99 good people who

don't need to. "Jesus told the people another story: What will a woman do if she has ten silver coins and loses one of them? Won't she light a lamp, sweep the floor, and look carefully until she finds it? Then she will call in her friends and neighbors and say, "Let's celebrate! I've found the coin I lost." Jesus said, "In the same way God's angels are happy when even one person turns to him."

MESSAGE "What does it mean to be Found?" Pastor Anne Kadue

HYMN "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Red Hymnal #381 verses 1&4

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER*

God of relentless love, the Gospel reminds us of the joy you feel when one of your children chooses the path of repentance and redemption. We know how prone we are to wander off that path as we pursue those things that satisfy ourselves only. Receive the gifts we offer this day as we turn back on the path that leads us to you. We pray in the name of Jesus the Christ, the light on our path! Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE & OFFERING

DOXOLOGY*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Praise Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN* "Marching to Zion" Red Hymnal #733 verses 1&4

CIRCLE OF BENEDICTION* (extinguishing of candles & church bell)

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

We welcome all persons of every age, gender identity, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, and physical or mental ability into full participation in the life of this faith community. We are committed to the reconciliation of all persons as children of God and declare ourselves to be a Reconciling Congregation.

Large Print bulletins are available from the ushers.

CHURCH STAFF & WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor Anne Kadue	Lead Pastor
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You are loved. ❤️

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**Welcome to
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